

2008 BOND ELECTION PROJECT SUMMARY

PROPOSITION 1 PARKS AND RECREATION \$15,500,000

Hugh Smith Recreation Center Program **\$100,000**

The Hugh Smith Recreation Center was built in the 1960's and does not currently satisfy the functional or programming requirements for an east Arlington Recreation Center. Renovation of this center is not considered a viable option given the age of the infrastructure and fundamental systems that would be impacted by such renovation. This project would define programmatic requirements and conceptual plans for a new facility to serve east Arlington.

Southwest Arlington Park Land Acquisition **\$750,000**

This project will acquire and preserve neighborhood park land in southwest Arlington where there is an existing deficiency in neighborhood park service levels.

Southeast Arlington Park Land Acquisition **\$750,000**

This project will acquire and preserve neighborhood park land in southeast Arlington where there is an existing deficiency in neighborhood park service levels.

Johnson Station Land Acquisition **\$750,000**

This project will acquire and preserve neighborhood park land in east Arlington where there is an existing deficiency in neighborhood park service levels.

Harold Patterson Sports Center **\$1,000,000**

This project will provide funds to assist with the phased implementation of renovations at the Harold Patterson Sports Center. This phase of work is likely to include parking lot and soccer field renovations in accordance with a master plan that will be completed this summer. The existing infrastructure at this park is 27 years old.

MLK Sports Center **\$1,400,000**

This project would fund a second phase of development at the Martin Luther King Jr. Sports Center. Proposed improvements include two little league ball fields, an additional restroom/concession building, and parking. This project is necessary to improve the availability of ball fields for league activities and relieve the over-utilization of sport fields at the Harold Patterson Sports Center.

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Vandergriff Park **\$1,500,000**

This project would allow for a third phase of renovation and development in accordance with the Vandergriff Park master plan. Much of the infrastructure in this park is over 30 years old and does not provide acceptable levels of service throughout the park. Improvements would include a looped walking trail, pavilion, two ball fields, a bird and butterfly garden, irrigation, and landscaping.

Playground Renovations **\$600,000**

This project will replace older, outdated playgrounds located at Cliff Nelson, Woodland West, SJ Stovall and Bob McFarland Park.

Veterans Park Renovation **\$500,000**

This project would fund renovations to the existing park playground, expand the north parking lot and provide irrigation for the sports practice fields.

Southwest Nature Preserve **\$750,000**

This project would provide design services and construction funding for improvements to this undeveloped nature preserve. Amenities will include a parking lot, pavilion, nature trails, interpretive signage, composting restroom, board walks, and a fishing dock.

Crystal Canyon Nature Preserve **\$350,000**

This project would fund a small parking lot, nature trails, interpretive signage and environmental restoration at Crystal Canyon Park in north Arlington. This park has remained undeveloped for many years and has a history of homeless campsites, destructive off-road biking and dumping.

Julia Bergen Park Infrastructure **\$1,000,000**

This project will fund the demolition, grading and turf establishment of the area along Johnson Creek between Park Row and Collins Streets. Improvements will include the removal of street and utility infrastructure that previously served homes removed from the 25-year floodplain by the Johnson Creek CORPS project.

Ditto Golf Course Improvements **\$1,500,000**

This project will provide for golf course renovations and improvements at the Ditto Golf Course in north Arlington.

Richard Simpson Park **\$1,000,000**

This project would fund the design and construction of a new lake office and meeting room building. This popular meeting and event space is in a severely deteriorated condition. Renovation of the existing facility is not considered viable due to the level of deterioration. This building also provides office space in support of the lake operation.

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Webb Community Park **\$1,000,000**

This project will fund a fourth phase of development for this largely undeveloped community park. Proposed amenities include a walking trail, basketball courts, baseball fields, a playground, parking and landscaping.

Rush Creek Linear Park **\$700,000**

This project will provide additional funding for the acquisition and development of linear park opportunities on Rush Creek. Priority opportunities exist for trail linkages between Kelley and Veterans Park, as well as linkages between Village Creek Historical Area and Pioneer Parkway.

Skate Park **\$500,000**

This project will fund the design and construction of Arlington's first skatepark facility. The facility will be located in one of the City's community parks, such as the MLK Sports Center or Vandergriff Park, or possibly in connection with school district property.

Dottie Lynn Recreation Center **\$300,000**

This project is aimed at addressing storage space and weight room deficiencies at the Dottie Lynn Recreation Center. This is the second of two construction phases to renovate and improve services at this center. In addition to expanding the available space for storage and fitness equipment, this project will renovate and expand the existing parking lot.

Linear Park Pocket Parks **\$300,000**

This project will provide neighborhood amenities on linear parks in southeast Arlington where such amenities are inadequate to serve the existing population. Improvements will include play areas, basketball courts and picnic amenities.

Bob Cooke Park **\$500,000**

This project will renovate and enhance this east Arlington community park with a large pavilion, restroom, playground and parking lot improvements. Renovations are needed to address the deteriorating asphalt parking lot that services the soccer fields and playground. This phase of construction is also aimed at completing improvements proposed in the park's master plan.

Clarence Foster Park **\$250,000**

This project will fund renovations to the existing playground and walking trail, and improve security lighting. The asphalt trail in this park is nearly 25 years old and has been slowly deteriorating.

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PROPOSITION 2 PUBLIC WORKS (STREETS AND TRAFFIC) \$103,735,000

Abram Street – Cooper to New York **\$10,255,000**

This project will provide additional construction funds to rebuild Abram Street from Cooper Street to New York Avenue. This project will include enhanced sidewalks, streetlights, and water and sanitary sewer improvements.

Arterial and Collector Rebuild Program **\$14,220,000**

This funding allows for the rebuild of major collector and arterial streets that have deteriorated beyond general maintenance and are not funded by the sales tax for street maintenance. There is currently over a \$200 million backlog of arterial streets in the rebuild category.

Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) / ITS Projects **\$500,000**

This request will provide for the installation of ITS devices for more efficient traffic and incident management that will reduce traffic congestion and improve air quality. A portion of the funding may also be applied as matching funds (local participation) to leverage federal Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) grants.

Construction Testing **\$2,700,000**

Funding for this project will provide material testing for all roadway infrastructure construction. Without testing, quality of infrastructure could deteriorate causing long-term maintenance costs.

Developer Participation Projects **\$1,000,000**

Funding for this project allows the City's participation in roadways that are constructed with new development.

Irrigation Relocations / Repairs **\$550,000**

This project provides funding to relocate and/or repair irrigation systems in conflict with capital improvement projects.

Mansfield Webb Rd / Silo Road Intersection **\$380,000**

This project will greatly enhance the safety of this intersection by widening the east and west approaches to the intersection. The project has also received funding through the State Hazard Elimination Program. The funding requested by this proposal will provide the City's matching funding for the Tarrant County program and the State program.

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Matlock Rd 5th/6th Lanes (Mayfield Rd to Bardin Rd) \$1,970,000

This project provides design and construction funding to widen an existing four lane divided roadway to six lanes within the existing median. This roadway project has been selected to receive matching funds from Tarrant County Transportation Bonds.

Matlock Rd / Mayfield Rd Intersection Improvements \$500,000

This project provides improvement of the intersection at Matlock Road and Mayfield Road with the addition of right turn lanes on all approaches. This roadway project has been selected to receive matching funds from Tarrant County Transportation Bonds.

New Traffic Signals \$1,700,000

These funds would allow for construction of new traffic signals at various intersections for the purpose of enhancing safe and efficient movement of pedestrian and vehicular traffic.

Residential Street Rebuild Program \$15,570,000

Rebuild existing residential streets. Candidate streets have deteriorated beyond general maintenance and are not funded by the sales tax for street maintenance. There is currently over a \$150 million backlog of residential streets in the rebuild category that is not funded by the Street Sales Tax.

Sidewalk and Ramp Construction \$2,160,000

Rebuild existing sidewalks that can no longer be repaired by general maintenance and construct new sidewalks for the purpose of enhancing pedestrian safety and ADA accessibility.

Street Light Upgrades \$875,000

This request will provide funds to install new streetlights and upgrade existing ones to meet current specifications on portions of city streets where needed.

Traffic Signal Rebuilds and Modifications \$1,100,000

Reconstruction or widening of roadways disrupts traffic signal installations and results in inefficient operation. This request will provide funding to rebuild and/or modify signals that will be impacted by road construction between 2009 and 2013.

Ledbetter – Russell to Harris \$1,800,000

This funding would provide for intersection and sidewalk improvements in this area in the Mansfield school district where three schools are located nearby.

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Ledbetter: Harris to Eden and Eden Sight Improvements **\$2,800,000**

This funding would provide for intersection and sidewalk improvements in this area in the Mansfield school district where three schools are located nearby.

Intersection Improvements **\$1,170,000**

Funding provided by TxDOT and/or Tarrant County will be combined with this funding request to improve the following intersections:

- Cooper & Mayfield
- North Collins & Green Oaks
- North Collins & Road to Six Flags:
- South Cooper & Green Oaks

Lamar Blvd – Collins to Ballpark Way **\$5,790,000**

Lamar Boulevard is a major east/west arterial paralleling IH30 to the north. This project will rebuild and widen Lamar Boulevard between Collins Street and Ballpark Way from four lanes to six lanes. The section of Lamar Boulevard from Ballpark Way to SH360 was widened to six lanes several years ago. Widening Lamar to six lanes will provide an additional east/west route in this area and will allow traffic to exit heavily congested SH360 and utilize Lamar as a distributor to connect to north/south arterials.

Stadium Drive – Division to Abram **\$14,995,000**

This project will construct Stadium Drive as a major arterial from Division Street to Abram Street. The project also includes an underpass at the Union Pacific Railroad. There are currently only three grade separations for the railroad that runs through Arlington (SH360, West Street in the downtown area, and Fielder Road). A grade separation in the entertainment area is critical not only to provide much needed access, but also to provide an additional route for emergency vehicles. The improved extension of Stadium Drive to Abram Street will open up another critical corridor to reach the entertainment venues. Once SH161 is in place, traffic can utilize Abram Street to travel west to Stadium Drive and could be a major reliever to heavily congested SH360.

Abram – SH360 to City Limits **\$5,975,000**

This project will rebuild and widen the existing major arterial from four lanes to six lanes. This project is a vital link to provide access to the entertainment district of Arlington. Once SH161 is constructed, this project will provide an alternative route to heavily congested IH30 and SH360.

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Bowman Springs – IH20 to City Limits

\$2,850,000

This project will rebuild an existing two lane roadway to a four lane divided boulevard. This roadway connects to Pleasant Ridge Road on the north side of IH20. Pleasant Ridge Road parallels IH20 to the north and when improved will likely reduce the number of local trips currently utilizing IH20. This roadway will also relieve heavily congested Little Road as it will provide an alternate route to the Kennedale area south of IH20. The City of Kennedale has indicated support of this project.

Great Southwest Parkway

\$9,150,000

This project will provide design and construction funding to reconstruct Great Southwest Parkway from Avenue E to Abram Street. The roadway will be reconstructed as a concrete street and during the design process, where feasible intersections and driveways will be adjusted to ensure the facility can accommodate the heavy truck traffic in the area.

Abram Street – New York to SH 360

\$5,725,000

This project will provide construction funds to rebuild Abram Street from New York Avenue to SH360. This project will include enhanced sidewalks, streetlights, and water and sanitary sewer improvements.

PROPOSITION 3

LIBRARIES

\$500,000

East Arlington Branch Library Expansion

\$500,000

This funding will provide for the expansion and renovation of the East Arlington Branch Library. The renovation would add approximately 1,000 square feet of space to the building and would reallocate current space to meet the projected needs for additional computer lab and classroom instruction space.

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PROPOSITION 4 FIRE \$9,090,000

Station #9 Reconstruction **\$3,470,000**

This provides for the relocation of Fire Station #9 from its current location on South Cooper Street to a less-traveled street on City-owned property, based on a recommendation from the Fire Management Audit.

Fire Station Remodel Projects **\$5,620,000**

Fire Stations 5, 10, 11, and 12 require remodeling in order to provide separate sleeping and restroom facilities for both genders, and to repair or remodel facilities that have deteriorated over time.

PROPOSITION 5 PUBLIC WORKS (DRAINAGE) \$12,000,000

Rush Creek Improvements (South of SH303) **\$12,000,000**

This project provides construction funding to implement channel improvements to reduce the risk of structural flooding in the area. This project is currently in the design phase.